

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS  
BEAUMONT DIVISION

UNITED STATES and STATE OF TEXAS §  
*ex rel.* DANIEL W. ELLIOTT, M.D. and §  
LISA A. MINSLOFF, M.D., §

*Plaintiffs,* §

V. §

SOUTHEAST TEXAS MEDICAL §  
ASSOCIATES, LLP; STEWARD §  
HEALTH CARE SYSTEM; ONPOINT §  
LAB, L.L.C.; BAPTIST HOSPITALS OF §  
SOUTHEAST TEXAS; MUHAMMAD §  
AZIZ, M.D.; JAMES HOLLY, M.D.; §  
MARY CASTRO, M.D.; VIJAY KUMAR, §  
M.D.; MICHAEL THOMAS, M.D.; SYED §  
ANWAR, M.D., CAESAR DEIPARINE, §  
M.D.; RONALD PALANG, M.D.; ABSAR §  
QURESHI, M.D.; and DEAN HALBERT, §  
M.D., §

*Defendants.* §

CIVIL ACTION NO. 1:23-CV-00329  
JUDGE MICHAEL J. TRUNCAL

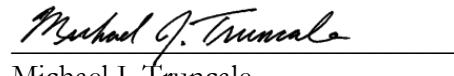
**ORDER GRANTING IN PART DEFENDANTS' JOINT  
MOTION FOR A TEMPORARY STAY OF DISCOVERY**

Before the Court is Defendants' Joint Motion for a Temporary Stay of Discovery. [Dkt. 60].

Defendants are asking the Court to issue an order temporarily staying all discovery pending the Court's resolution of certain motions on file in this matter. After considering the Defendants' joint motion and reviewing the pleadings on file and all applicable law, the Court grants in part the same.

It is therefore **ORDERED** that Defendants' Joint Motion for a Temporary Stay of Discovery [Dkt. 60] is hereby **GRANTED IN PART**. All discovery, except discovery related to the pending dispositive motions, are **STAYED**. Said stay shall remain in effect until **January 19, 2024**.

SIGNED this 20th day of October, 2023.

  
Michael J. Truncal  
United States District Judge